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TO Dr. R. A. Kehoe

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FROM E. L. Shea

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SUBJECT

DATE January 22, 1954

Dear Bob:

This is something on which I would like to get your advice and recommendation. The two enclosures from Bill Stewart are attached to this letter.

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UNION OIL COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA

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December 18, 1953

Mr. Edward L. Shea
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Dear Ed:

Enclosed is a clipping from today's Examiner which is typical of the pointed attacks on nearly everything that might cause smog; also a brochure of the Southern California Air Pollution Foundation.

Reese and I think you should be a substantial contributor.

Kind regards.

Yours very truly,

S/ Bill

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Excerpt from Dec. 18/53 edition of Los Angeles Examiner

CALTECH HAS WOE WITH ROCK AGES BECAUSE OF SMOG

Pasadena, Dec. 17. - Lead in the air - put there by smog - is causing trouble for California Institute of Technology scientists, who measure lead in ancient rocks to see how old the rocks are.

Caltech President Lee A. DuBridge, reporting on this today, said:

"An unexpected problem arose when it was found that measurements on minute traces of lead in certain rocks were thrown off by contamination from the air. Smogladen air contains lead from 'ethyl' (lead tetraethyl) of antiknock gasoline."

So they had to put "smogremoving" filters on the air-conditioning equipment in the labs to take the lead out, Dr. DuBridge said.

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